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MEMORANDUM FOR: Project Review Committee

SUBJECT:

Provisional Budget of the Committee for a Free Asia for Fiscal Year 1953.

- l. As requested by DDCI at a meeting with the undersigned, the President of CFA, ADCO, CFEPC, and representatives of CIO on April 8, 1952 it is proposed that the Project Review Committee at its April 11 meeting review a preliminary budget presented by CFA for planning purposes only for Fiscal Year 1953 with a view to the following:
 - a. Approving only its general concept and scope; or making recommendations for revisions of same.
 - b. Giving guidance to CFA so that it may prepare by May 1952 a revised budget for detailed review by PRC and other CIA units in accordance with regulations.
 - 2. As set forth in the attachments CFA has transmitted a provisional budget of approximately 10.1 million for administrative and operating expenses including radio operating costs; and 12.6 million for capital radio costs for constructing additional transmitters for international operations. This, as stated by CFA is a maximum budget required for an all out psychological warfare effort in the Far East including an effort to reach by radio an estimated 72 million radio listeners in Asia.
 - 3. It is my recommendation that:
 - a. The concept of all out effort by CFA during 1953 be approved.
 - b. The budget proposed by CFA be approved only as a basis for planning by CFA for such all out effort and subject to the following:

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- (1) That OFA will prepare a revised budget for review by CIA on approximately May 1 setting forth:
 - (a) A detailed operating plan showing programs and costs directed at each Asian country and at Asians in the United States.
 - at the April 8 meeting as to the feasibility of constructing and operating one transmitter complex for international broadcasting. This feasibility report should include the following: proposed site for such complex; construction costs; operating costs; time required to get into operation; possibility of obtaining necessary frequencies; audience expected to be reached; kind of program to be broadcast; and reasons why existing stations can not be utilized for reaching such audience.

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Attachment (Orig only)
Provisional operating program
and budget for CFA for FY 1953.